STATE OF MAINE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Docket No. 2001-484

April 9, 2002

BANGOR HYDRO-ELECTRIC COMPANY Proposed Terms and Conditions to Provide For a Voluntary Telemetering Rate ORDER APPROVING TERMS AND CONDITIONS

WELCH, Chairman; NUGENT and DIAMOND, Commissioners

I. SUMMARY OF DECISION

By this Order, the Commission approves Bangor Hydro-Electric Company's (BHE's or the Company) proposed Terms and Conditions to establish a Voluntary Telemetering Rate.

II. PROCEDURAL HISTORY

On July 13, 2001, in response to Chapter 321, Section 3(B) of the Commission's rules, BHE filed proposed Terms and Conditions to establish a Voluntary Telemetering Rate (Telemetering Rate). On August 8, 2001, the Commission issued a Notice of Filing and Opportunity to Comment. That notice set a deadline of August 17, 2001 for interested persons to file comments on the Telemetering Rate. On August 10, 2001, Suspension Order #1 was issued, suspending the effective date of the Telemetering Rate for a period of three months. On October 10, 2001, the Examiner in this proceeding issued a second Notice of Filing and Opportunity to Comment. That notice set October 19, 2001 as the deadline for interested persons to comment on the Telemetering Rate. No comments were received in response to either Notice. On November 6, 2001, Suspension Order #2 was issued, suspending the effective date of the Telemetering Rate for an additional five months. In response to discussions with Commission Staff members, BHE filed revised versions of its Telemetering Rate on March 14, 2002 and April 4, 2002. It is the April 4,2002 revised version that is considered in this Order.

III. DISCUSSION AND DECISION

The Company's Telemetering Rate sets forth the terms and conditions that will apply to a Competitive Electricity Provider (CEP) that wishes to have a customer's load telemetered rather than settled based on the customer's profile group. BHE made this filing in response to Chapter 321, Section 3(B) that allows CEPs to request telemetering of its customers and requires the T&D utility to respond to such requests as quickly as practicable. Under that same section of the rule, utilities are directed to charge the requesting CEP the incremental cost of equipment and data processing associated with

providing the telemetering service. We have reviewed the Company's proposed Telemetering Rate and find that it is consistent with that requirement.

Accordingly, we

ORDER

That the following Terms and Conditions pages filed by Bangor Hydro-Electric Company on April 4, 2002 shall become effective as of the date of this Order:

	Terms and Conditions	Revision	Date Filed
L	Page Numbers	Number	Date Filed
	Page 57	Original	April 4, 2002
	Page 58	Original	April 4, 2002

Dated at Augusta, Maine, this 9th day of April, 2002.

Dennis L. Keschl
Administrative Director

COMMISSIONERS VOTING FOR: WELCH

NUGENT DIAMOND

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